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COMMUNICATION CONTROL METHOD

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request notification as to the status and a date as to when an Office Action will be issued in the above-identified patent application.

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